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**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:**

*Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 4, as follows:*

a1 | This application is related to simultaneously-filed United States Patent Application  
Serial No. 09/\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_ (~~attorney docket: 2380-200/BR40369~~) 09/732,883, entitled  
"Balancing Loads on Telecommunications Links", which is incorporated herein by  
reference in its entirety.

*Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 5, line 12, and continuing to page  
5, line 17, as follows:*

a2 | Some strategies for controlling inter-RNC handover have been proposed. One  
strategy is to presume that a constant number of RNC hops should justify the inter-RNC  
handover. But this strategy can lead to unnecessary handovers since a handover might  
be performed even if the Iur links are very lightly loaded. On the other hand, strategies  
that never perform inter-RNC handover will, most likely, eventually overload at least  
some of the Iur links

*Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 18, line 7, and continuing to page  
18, line 11, as follows:*

a3 | The second mode of the invention is represented diagrammatically by Fig. 3B and  
Fig. 4B5B, which correspond to Fig. 3A and Fig. 4B-5A of the first mode. The  
performance of the second mode resembles the first mode in large degree. In view of the  
similarities of these modes, only the differences of the two modes are discussed below.